

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A [pedal] device for braking a vehicle, comprising a pedal member arranged to be depressed by the driver, [and] an arm member operatively engaged with the pedal member[, for turning] and movable when the pedal member is depressed[, and] for transmitting a driver's force-on-pedal to [the] a brake master cylinder of the vehicle, [further comprising:

a footrest] and a control unit separate from the pedal member and configured to restrict the [turning] moving of the arm member when the force-on-pedal which acts on pedal member is less than a predetermined value, [and]

wherein said pedal member [is composed of] has a depressible footplate [to be depressed by the driver] and a protruding portion engaged with the footplate on which a driver's heel can be put.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended) An automobile [using the pedal] having a braking device [for a vehicle, comprising] comprising a pedal member arranged to be depressed by the driver, an arm member engaged with the pedal member [for turning] and movable when the pedal member is depressed [and] for transmitting driver's force-on-pedal to [the] a brake master cylinder, and

a [footrest restricting]control unit separate from the pedal member and configured to restrict the [turning] moving of the arm member when the driver's force-on-pedal which acts on pedal member is less than a predetermined value,

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wherein said pedal member [is] has a footplate depressible by the driver and [having] a protruding portion [engaged with the footplate,] on which driver's heel is placeable.